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Application Number:  
Applicants: Donald H. Eason  
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Title: Instrument Support Apparatus Having Non-Horizontal Tiers and  
Vertical Axis Pivot Capability  
  
Assignee: Ultimate Support Systems, Inc.  
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STATEMENT ESTABLISHING SMALL ENTITY STATUS  
(SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN)

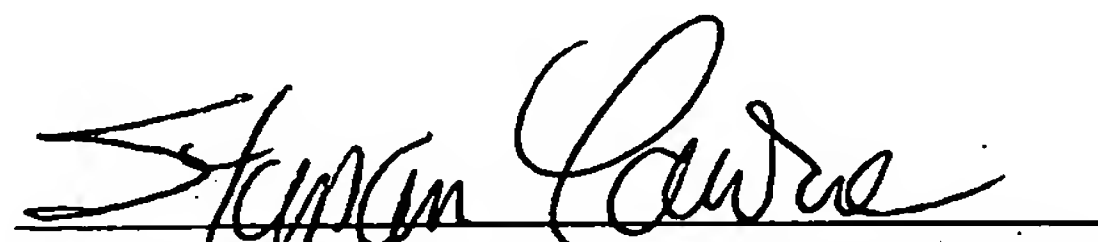
I, Stephen M. Towne, as Vice President, Finance of Ultimate Support Systems, Inc., pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 1.27(c) state that the following facts are true:

1. I am Vice President, Finance of Ultimate Support Systems, Inc. As such, I am empowered to act on behalf of the Assignee.
2. As set forth in 13 C.F.R. Section 121.802, Ultimate Support Systems, Inc. is an entity whose number of employees, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons and which has not assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed, and is under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey or license, any rights in the subject matter of the enclosed Patent Application to another entity that does not qualify under small entity status. Accordingly, Ultimate Support Systems, Inc. appears to qualify as a small business concern as defined in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.27(a)(2).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Dated this 14 day of January, 2004.

By:

  
Stephen M. Towne, Vice President, Finance  
Ultimate Support Systems, Inc.